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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Pierre Coutos-Thevenot et al.

Serial No.: 09/622,257

Art Unit: 1638

Filed: January 2, 2000

Examiner: Kallis, Russell

For: NUCLEIC ACID
COMPRISING THE
SEQUENCE OF A STRESS-
INDUCIBLE PROMOTER
AND A SEQUENCE OF A
GENE ENCODING A
STILBENE SYNTHASE

Atty Docket: 0061/00091

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

REMARKS

Status of Claims:

Claims 1-29 were pending in the application; claims 30-33 are newly-presented; claim 10 is hereby cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter contained within. Claims 1-9 and 11-33 are now pending. Each of the pending claims defines an invention that is novel and unobvious over the cited art. Favorable consideration of this case is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter:

Claims 1-29 were deemed to be free of the prior art.